Coatings

Corrosion

Fracture and Mechanical Testing High Temperature Mechanical Properties

Hydrogen Production and Storage Materials

Hydrogen Separation Materials Irradiation

Materials Validation

Microstructure and Physical Properties

Modeling

Neutron Radiography Nondestructive Evaluation Post-irradiation Examination Synthesis and Processing of Novel Materials

Welding and Joining X-Ray Radiography

Corrosion

Capabilities/Facilities

mmersion, crevice, U-bend, nanoindentation/ scratch/impact, tensile/ compression testing; slowstrain-rate fatigue testing; electrochemical, scanning probe, AC impedance. Aqueous and non-aqueous corrosion testing procedures, supercritical fluid environments, very high temperature capabilities, microbial systems, and oxidation studies. Cyclic environmental chambers, UV chamber, freeze-thaw chamber. Testing equipment includes instrumentation required for most American Society for Testing and Materials standardized methods and thermogravimetric analysis. Advanced capabilities include many in-situ electrochemical imaging probes (scanning electrochemical microscopy, multi-electrode array microscopy, and scanning reference electrode technique), three scanning probe microscopes, and an instrumented mechanical testing platform (nano-hardness, scratch, and impact testing), and extensive materials characterization capabilities.

Fuel Assembly and Storage Building and Materials and Fuels Complex Engineering Development Laboratory. Molten salt furnaces and alkali metals experiment glovebox.

Materials

Composites, coatings, concrete, engineering alloys, complex intermetallics, ceramics, thermal spray coatings, weldments, polymers, ceramic and metallic waste forms and nuclear fuel.

Scientific/Engineering

Issues

Identification and quantification of corrosion potentials and mechanisms; environmental degradation potentials; fundamental localized corrosion studies; long-term corrosion of Ni-Cr-Mo alloys, Ti and Al alloys; localized corrosion in heat affected zone of welds; waste form leach rate.

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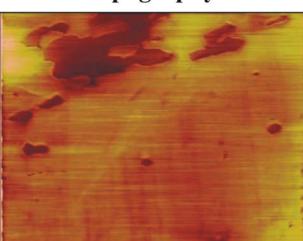
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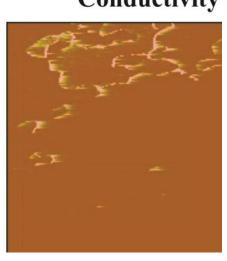
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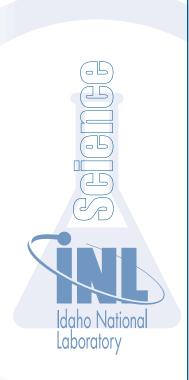
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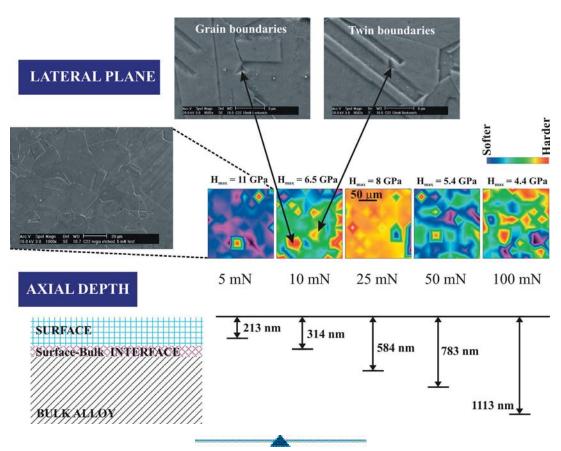


Conductivity



Ni-Cr-Mo-Gd specimen imaged in air with conductivity atomic force microscopy at a bias of 10 mV.





Nanoindentation (10 \times 10 array) on etched specimen of Alloy 22 (Ni-Cr-Mo-W) showing localized variations in-plane and as function of depth.

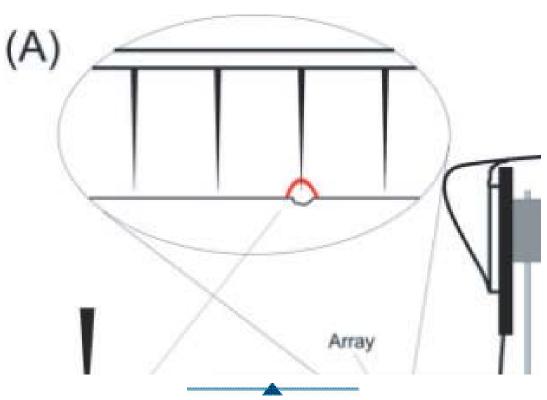
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- DOE Small Business Innovation Research
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Microelectrode array microscope (MEAM) for imaging real-time dynamics of aqueous localized corrosion. (A) Diagram of MEAM, (B) total specimen current, (C) current transient at one element, (D) transient of dynamic events shown in the images (E).

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